

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION MEETING  
EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, AND LAND SURVEYORS  
MINUTES  
APRIL 14, 2005**

**PRESENT:** Lynda Farrar, Dale Paczkowski, and Nancy Sobczak (via telephone)

**EXCUSED:** Martin Hanson

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jerry Lowrie, Bureau Director; Steve Gloe, Legal Counsel; Pat Schenck, Program Assistant; Darwin Tichenor, Exam Specialist

**CALL TO ORDER**

Lynda Farrar, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m. A quorum of three members was present.

**AGENDA**

**Amendments to agenda:**

- Item 17 g. Delete “*Appearance* for a Class I Hearing on items g. i. ii. & iii. Change to “*Deliberation* on Class 1 Hearings.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 3, 2005**

**Amendments to minutes:**

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**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve the minutes of February 3, 2005 as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT  
JERRY LOWRIE, BUREAU DIRECTOR**

**Board Roster**

Dale Paczkowski will be resigning from the Professional Engineer Section after the June 16, 2005 meeting. There will be two vacancies - one professional member and one public member.

**2005 Meeting Dates**

The next Section meeting is June 16, 2005.

### **Summary of Reports on Pending Court Cases, Disciplinary Cases and Administrative Rules and Press Releases**

Noted.

### **To-Do-List**

Noted.

### **Off-Site Campus Visit Discussion**

Mr. Lowrie discussed future opportunities that may become available to promote Professional Engineers licensure in Wisconsin.

The Section members expressed their concerns and displeasure over the Section not having the opportunity or the availability to conduct a Section meeting at Marquette University campus.

Mr. Lowrie stated that the Department had concerns with staff being away from the Department while conducting a meeting on a campus. The Section questioned legal counsel participating by telephone to save on expenses.

## **TRAVEL**

### **2005 Board Presidents Assembly Meeting, February 10-13, 2005, Kansas City, MO** **Report by Lynda Farrar**

Lynda Farrar reported on the 2005 Board Presidents Assembly Meeting she attended on February 10-13, 2005 in Kansas City, MO. The meeting provided an opportunity to exchange information, ask questions, and learn about action items that will be represented at NCEES's 2005 annual meeting on August 24-27, 2005 in Memphis, TN.

Highlights of the meeting included:

- Exchanging of information with other Member Boards.
- Four exam committees made presentations about progress on their charges
  - The Committee on Examination Policy and Procedures (EPP) discussed two of EPP's major charges. To recommend a process for conducting a cheating analysis after each exam administration and to better define minimum competency.
  - The Committee on Examinations for Professional Engineers (EPE) discussed how to use codes and standards in exam problems.
  - The Committee on Examinations for Professional Surveyors (EPS) made recommendations on the feasibility of using a PS reference handbook with the goal of standardizing information used by examinees and enhancing of examination security.
  - The Examination Administration Task Force was to revise exam policies to minimize objects (including books) allowed in the exam room to maximize security. The task

force recommends that the Council move toward a system of supplied-reference handbooks by 2010.

- Requiring voting delegates to be professional members of a State Board and not allowing Executive Directors or public members voting privileges was discussed and voted against.
- New licensure requirements.
- Factors affecting pass rates.
- Increasing Member Board involvement.

Mr. Lowrie reported on issues related to the Professional Engineers Section that were discussed at the 2005 NCEES Joint Interim Meeting, Central and Northeast Zones attended by James Rusch on April 7-9, 2005 in Washington DC. There was a proposal relating to who may vote for member jurisdictions at the Annual Meeting. The intent of the president is to force professionals who are on the member boards to be "plugged in" to Council Activities. It was thought that if the only delegate who could vote were a member board delegate rather than a member board administrator or a designated staff person, then more professionals would attend and participate in Council activities. To change an existing policy could eliminate the vote of several jurisdictions. The Northeast Zone and Central Zone was in opposition. The compromise suggested was that if an associate is to be the delegate, then that person should always be the delegate for purposes of consistency. The down side of not having a professional person is the lack of time to be involved in committee work.

## **LEGISLATIVE/ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

### **Status Report on Submitted Legislation and Rule Items**

Mr. Lowrie distributed a draft of an act to repeal 443.09(6) of the statutes relating to the review of an examination conducted or approved by the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors with an analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau. This bill eliminates the requirements for the examining board to retain the examinations and to allow a person who has failed the examination to review his or her examination. In addition, under the bill the examining board is not required to furnish a person who has failed the examination with a statement of the reasons for a failing grade. The department has responded to questions from the Legislative Reference Bureau regarding the exam review rule change

Mr. Lowrie reported that the administrative rule change is in conflict with the statute regarding the barrier free examination. The statutes 443.09(5) state specifically that questions need to be developed by the Board and the Department of Commerce and will eventually be changed.

## **CREDENTIALING**

### **Credentialing Liaison**

Lynda Farrar was nominated previously as the credentialing liaison for credentialing issues.

### **Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Subhash Modi - 11:30 a.m.**

Subhash Modi appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding denial of his application for eligibility to write the professional engineer examination.

The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

**Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Edward Lisinski - 12:00 noon**

Edward Lisinski appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding denial of his application for eligibility to write the professional engineer examination.

The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

**Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Bhuvan Kaji Manandhar - 12:30 p.m.**

Bhuvan Kaji Manandhar appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding denial of his application for registration as a professional engineer.

The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

**EDUCATION/EXAMINATION**

**Review of Examination Challenge – Darwin Tichenor**

Darwin Tichenor met with the Section to discuss a request for an examinee review from NCEES. The examinee challenged the answers to five questions on the October 2004 PE examination in the discipline of fire protection. Each challenge was reviewed by a Subject Matter Expert from the Society of Fire Protection Engineers.

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobzak, to accept NCEES October 2004 examination results for exam candidate #ID 111-01-0619. Motion carried unanimously.

**REGISTRATION ISSUES**

None.

**TECHNOLOGY ISSUES**

**The Professional Use of Seals – West Virginia**

The Section reviewed West Virginia's bulletin on "The Professional Use of Seals" regarding the practice of architecture and engineering in West Virginia listing basic questions and answers regarding proper seals.

- Which type of licensee must prepare and seal plans?
- Are there special requirements regarding the seals?
- What types of documents require a seal?
- What kinds of documents do not require a seal?
- Proper seals, and
- Red flags.

## NCEES

### Exchange – February, 2005

The Section reviewed and discussed the October 2004 exam pass rates as printed in the February 2005 Exchange.

### PRACTICE ISSUES

None.

### MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

The Section reviewed legal counsel's response to a question from Professor C. Allen Wortley, P.E. UW Madison, Department of Engineering, incidental to engineering.

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve the letter of response to Prof. C. Allen Wortley, P.E. as written by legal counsel. Motion carried unanimously.

### NEW BUSINESS

None.

### BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY

None.

### OTHER

None.

### CLOSED SESSION

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.; to consider licensure or discipline (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.; to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.; and, to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats. Motion carried by roll call vote: Lynda Farrar-yes, Dale Paczkowski-yes, Nancy Sobczak-yes.

Open Session recessed at 12:54 p.m.

### RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to reconvene into Open Session at 1:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

### VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION, IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE

### MONITORING REPORT

None.

### CASE CLOSING 02 ENG 004

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to close case **02 ENG 004** for insufficient evidence. Motion carried unanimously.

### REINSTATEMENT REQUESTS

### CLASS I HEARING MILTON E. KOCH

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to deny **Milton Koch's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

### COLLINS OFORI-AMANFO

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Collins Ofori-Amanfo's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

### DONALD F. ROECKER

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Donald F. Roecker's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

### PAUL M. DENT

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Paul M. Dent's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

**GORDON P. WHITE**

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Gordon P. White's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

**STEPHEN THOMPSON**

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Stephen Thompson's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

**BRIAN BERLING**

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Brian Berling's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

**LEE GOOD**

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Lee Good's** request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Lynda Farrar voted no. Motion carried.

**REQUEST FOR CLASS 1 HEARING**

**SUBHASH MODI**

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve **Subhash Modi's** application to sit for the principles and practice of engineering examination. Motion carried unanimously.

**EDWARD LISINSKI**

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve Edward Lisinski's application contingent upon receipt of a letter from the school verifying his graduation date. Motion carried unanimously

**BHUVAN KAJI MANANDHAR**

**MOTION:** Dale Paaczowski moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Bhuvan Kajimanandhar's** application for registration as a professional engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

## APPLICATION REVIEW

### APPLICATIONS REVIEWED ON APRIL 14, 2005

The Section took the following action on applications:

- MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve, licensure by approved degree plus eight years experience. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve the applications as indicated below. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to accept denials as indicated below. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve applications to sit for the Principles and Practice Exam as indicated below. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to deny applications to sit for the Principles and Practice Exam as indicated below. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to approve Yi, Xin for registration as an engineer-in-training. Motion carried unanimously.

### FOR REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

1. **By 16 Hour Written Examination**
  - a. Granted
    1. Remmel, Michael J
2. **By Approved Degree Plus 8 Years Experience**
  - a. Granted
    1. Boysen, Brian L
    2. Fasano, Leon A
    3. Guenin, Daniel P
    4. Johnson, Jonathan B
    5. Keller, Julie Ann L
    6. Kueng, Kevin J
    7. Lawton, Wayne M
    8. Munagala, Ramesh V
    9. Nelson, Carolyn L
    10. Noah, Mark A
    11. Payne, Michael W
    12. Sapozhnikov, Miorslav
    13. Spear, Jo-Walter
    14. Trower, Ronald B
    15. Wagner, Michael D



**FOR PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING EXAMINATION**

- a.     Granted
  - 1.     Cahanin, Gregory J
  - 2.     Duellman, Mark L
  - 3.     Gadzik, Michael S
  - 4.     Gammon, Neil
  - 5.     Haines, Eric G
  - 6.     Jolicoeur, David M
  - 7.     Keltner, Paul S
  - 8.     Leisner, Joseph T
  - 9.     Matter, Jerome
  - 10.    Singamsethi, Sudhir K
  - 11.    Young, Jesse

- b.     Denied
  - 1.     Gross, Jason L

**FOR ENGINEER-IN-TRAINING**

- a.     Approved
  - 1.     Yi, Xin

**EXAMINATION ISSUES**

None.

**SUCH OTHER ITEMS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:**   Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to adjourn the meeting at 1:26 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

**Next Professional Engineer Section Meeting:   June 16, 2005**